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SEEDS



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NEW!

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for

1956



EMPIRE DANISH CABBAGE,
YELLOWS — RESISTANT

NEW GARRY OATS

RUST RESISTANT

RODNEY OATS

HEAVY YIELDING

DU PUITS ALFALFA

REALLY OUTSTANDING

VIKING TREFOIL

UPRIGHT GROWTH

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REED'S SEEDS

Reed Bros., Cortland, N. Y.

Supplying you with tested and approved seeds for forty-seven years.



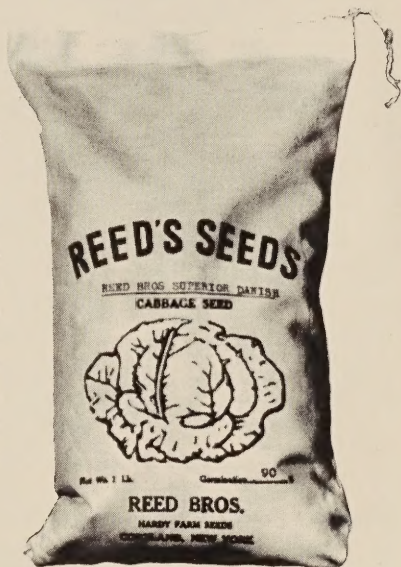
SUPERIOR DANISH

The Standard of Excellence

This fine strain of late Danish cabbage has surpassed all others in yielding ability and genuine uniformity. It will stand liberal fertilization. It has long been noted for its short stem, well-shaped heads and large wrapper leaves. Because of its vigorous growth the plants can be set close together in the row. This will give heads of the desired size and still produce an enormous tonnage. Many growers are using this strain, not only for market cabbage if the price is right, but also for kraut. When left for kraut this cabbage is just what the packers want. A fine textured cabbage that produces long shreds.

INSIST ON The Genuine Reed Strain

They are packed in the clean white bags with green impression. IT PAYS TO SOW Hot Water Treated Seed.



Catalog No. 428—Price—1 pkt. 20¢; 1 oz. 60¢; ¼ lb. \$2.25; ½ lb. \$4.00; 1 lb. \$8.00. Postpaid.

REED'S IMPROVED DANISH NO. 22

A fine market Danish with a green head. This meets the demand for a cabbage which will hold its attractive color even after long shipments to market. It is a little later than the Superior Danish and yields about as well. Not quite as well suited for kraut as the Superior Danish.

No. 431—Price—Pkt. 20¢; oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.75; ½ lb. \$3.00; 1 lb. \$6.00. Postpaid.

PENN STATE BALLHEAD—A late Danish type developed by Pa. State College. Heads slightly flattened, good yielder.

No. 420—Price—Pkt. 20¢; oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.75; ½ lb. \$3.00; 1 lb. \$6.00.



RED DANISH

NEW SEED — HOT WATER TREATED

Grown in the North

Better growers insist on this heavy yielding, uniform strain. It has paid dividends all through the years. It matures in about 105 days, will stand liberal fertilization without cracking.

Color is a big item in a red strain. This one has a good even dark color all through the head. Someone remarked that even the roots were red. It is very popular with the pickle men as well as the fresh market.

No. 439—Price—1 pkt. 20¢ 1 oz. 60¢; ¼ lb. \$2.25; ½ lb. \$4.00; 1 lb. 8.00. Postpaid.

NEW EARLY RED

During the past few years there has been a demand for a really good early red strain. To meet this demand we have selected an early type which not only yields well but also has very nice color. The leaves fit very tightly around the head. Maturity is about 10 days ahead of our regular strain but heads are forming long before this.

No. 448—Price—1 pkt. 20¢ 1 oz. 60¢; ¼ lb. \$2.25; ½ lb. \$4.00; 1 lb. 8.00. Postpaid.

YELLOWS RESISTANT VARIETIES

NEW EMPIRE DANISH

To meet the need for a resistant Danish, Dr. Munger of the Cornell Plant Breeding Department has developed the new "EMPIRE." It has remarkable resistance, gives good yields of solid heads. However it does mature a little earlier than our other Danish strains and does not hold as well in the field. It should be planted later and fertilized sparingly if ground is rich and cabbages are to be held.

No. 500—Price—1 pkt. 20¢ 1 oz. 60¢; ¼ lb. \$2.25; ½ lb. \$4.00; 1 lb. 8.00. Postpaid.

452—Marion Market

This is one of the more popular resistant strains of cabbage seed. It is an early shipping cabbage or may be left for kraut. It matures in about 70 to 75 days.

Price—Pkt. 20¢; 1 oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.75;
½ lb. \$3.00; 1 lb. \$6.00. Postpaid.

493—Wisconsin Hollander No. 8

This is a good Danish type. It is a little later than our own strains, probably due to the resistance which it has to yellows.

Price—Pkt. 20¢; 1 oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.75;
½ lb. \$3.00; 1 lb. \$6.00. Postpaid.

424—Wisconsin All Seasons

This is one of the finest kraut cabbage strains. It is a heavy yielder, very resistant to yellows and an all around good cabbage.

Price—Pkt. 20¢; 1 oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.75;
½ lb. \$2.95; 1 lb. \$5.90.

494—Globe

This variety resembles Glory in many respects. It is a good strain to use for kraut where our Improved Glory can not be used.

Price—Pkt. 20¢; 1 oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.75;
½ lb. \$3.00; 1 lb. \$6.00. Postpaid.

Reed's

IMPROVED GLORY

Linda and Margaret are each holding an especially good Glory head which will be saved for seed. The sisters are the sixth generation of the Reed family on the same homestead.



**A RECORD
MONEY
MAKER**

EVEN though the records showed 1955 as one of the driest years in recent times, this exceptional strain of cabbage withstood the drought and went on to make some real money for those who had the foresight to plant it. Some growers reported yields of better than 30 tons per acre. This heavy yield with such good prices really paid off.

IT PAYS to grow such a well-proved variety as the popular Reed Improved Glory. It is very uniform, matures in about 90 days and gives large, solid heads—just what the packers want for kraut.

No. 425—Price—1 pkt. 20¢; 1 oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.75; ½ lb. \$3.00; 1 lb. \$6.00. Postpaid.

EARLY CABBAGE VARIETIES

436—Bonanza

This strain matures in about 75 days. It is something new in a cabbage strain. The early formed heads are extremely hard. The head keeps on growing without splitting. An exceptionally fine shipping cabbage.

Price—Pkt. 20¢; oz. 80¢; ¼ lb. \$2.75; ½ lb. \$5.00;
1 lb. \$10.00 Postpaid.

415—Early Golden Acre

A little later than Early Jersey Wakefield but considerably earlier than Copenhagen Market. The first heads will be ready in about 70 days. They are round and firm. Thick setting will give a very satisfactory yield.

Price—Pkt. 20¢; oz. 40¢; ¼ lb. \$1.50; ½ lb. \$2.50;
1 lb. \$5.00. Postpaid.

422—Copenhagen Market

Price—Pkt. 20¢; oz. 40¢; ¼ lb. \$1.50; ½ lb. \$2.50;
1 lb. \$5.00. Postpaid.

Reed's Improved Glory—see pg. 5

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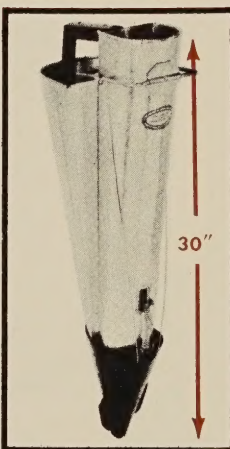
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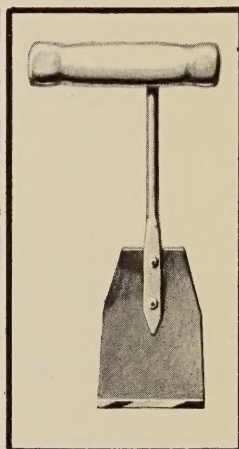
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HARROW POINTS**

It pays to fit your
soil.
65¢ Each Postpaid



**RAPID
TRANSPLANTER**

For setting and re-
setting.
\$7.00 Each Postpaid



HANDY KNIFE

A real labor saver
\$1.50 Postpaid

CABBAGE CULTURE

Seed Per Acre—½ lb.

Type of Soils—Well drained.

Fertilizer—Good, complete analysis.

Spacing for Market—3 ft. rows, 12-15" in
row.

Cultivation—For weed control only.

Size of Seed Bed—3000 sq. ft. per lb. if
broadcast.

Rotation—Once every five years.

Amount Fertilizer—800-1000 lbs. per acre. Soil test advisable.

Spacing for Kraut—3 ft. rows—20" in row.

Disease Control—Use treated seed.

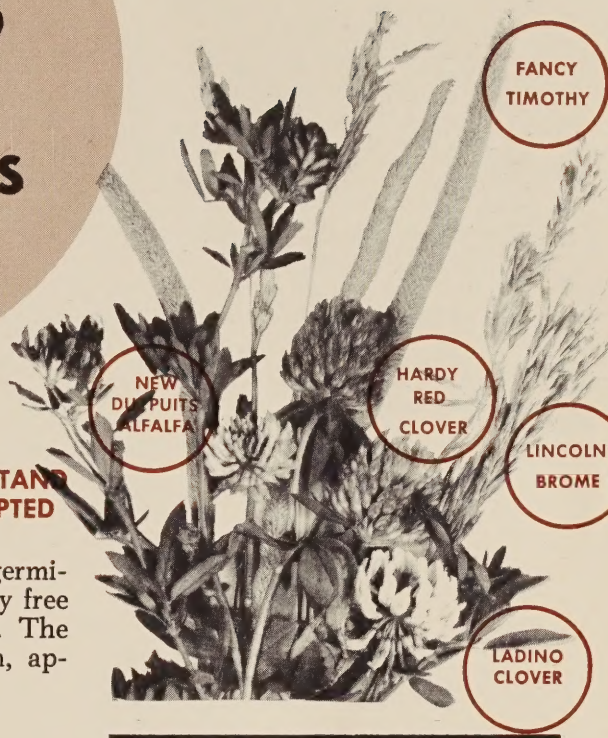
Insect Control—Use recommended insecticide regularly.

SPECIAL NOTE—Many growers have special conditions and problems. Please
feel free to write us and we will do our best to assist.

SOW *Reed's* **HARDY GRASS SEEDS and SAVE!**

**LESS SEED IS NEEDED FOR A STAND
WHEN YOU USE OUR ADAPTED
STRAINS**

You will find the purity and germination to be the very tops, very free from weeds and inert matter. The best bargain in seeds is clean, approved seed.



REED'S HARDY RED CLOVER

This is the genuine Old Fashioned Two Cutting Medium Red Clover. For years this seed has been produced in the north where winters are severe. Thus a very hardy strain is being offered to you. Order early; supply short.

Price—\$30.60 per bu.; \$15.60 per ½ bu.; \$7.90 per pk.

ALSIKE CLOVER

MAKES A FINE HAY CROP—especially on heavy soils. Many prefer some in their mixtures.

Price—\$24.00 per bu.; \$12.25 per ½ bu.; \$6.25 per pk.

LADINO CLOVER

EXCELLENT FOR GRASS SILAGE and PASTURES—as little as 1 lb. per acre mixed with Timothy, orchard, or Brome grass gives excellent results. Cattle like this lush feed.

Price—\$1.00 per lb. Postpaid.

FANCY TIMOTHY

EXCELLENT QUALITY—99.80% or better purity. High germination. Sow only the best.

Price—\$9.50 per bu.; \$5.00 per ½ bu. \$2.75 per pk.

LINCOLN BROME GRASS

A fine hay crop results in using Brome grass with legumes, especially alfalfa. Sow 8 lbs. per acre either with a special seeder or mixed with the grain. Allow 1 pk. more per acre for the Brome grass with the drill set shallow and stir often.

Price—45¢ per lb.



ADAPTED ALFALFAS

Winter Hardy, High Yielding, Disease Resistant
ALFALFA

Alone or in combination with timothy or Brome grass, still continues to be the best and heaviest producer under the right condition.

NEW FRENCH DU PUIITS

For two years this remarkable variety has been tested and in this short time has far exceeded everyone's expectation. The first crop year it has exceeded other varieties by 1000 lbs. per acre. It has exceptional vigor and its recovery after cutting is amazing. Where other varieties were hit by drought with reduced yields, this strain gave a crop worth cutting. It will pay you well to put at least part of your acreage in DU PUIITS (pronounced "Doo Pwee").

Price—\$29.00 per bu.; \$14.75 per ½ bu.; \$7.50 per pk.



RANGER ALFALFA

Ranger, because of its wilt resistance and winter hardiness, is fast becoming a highly recommended variety. For fields which are to be left in hay more than two years, there is a definite advantage in sowing this strain. The seed crop of our certified seed is extremely fine quality this year, and due to greatly increased acreage, the price is very favorable.

Price—\$23.00 per bu.; \$11.75 per ½ bu.; \$6.00 per pk.

NEW NARRAGANSETT ALFALFA

This new variety is proving its merits, especially in the first few years it is grown. It is not wilt resistant but does well on soils of moderate drainage for alfalfa. Price—\$39.00 per bu.; \$19.75 per ½ bu.; \$10.00 per pk.

BIRDSFOOT TREFOIL

This legume is filling a wide gap not only on marginal land not suited to alfalfa and clovers but also on better adapted soils. Immense progress has been made in bringing this legume to the attention of farmers. One new variety is now available—the New Viking. Developed by the Plant Breeding Department at Cornell, it is in heavy demand from other states.

VIKING TREFOIL—Upright plant, leafy, drought resistant, good for hay, silage, and pasture.
Price—\$2.15 per lb. Postpaid.

CERT. EMPIRE TREFOIL—Recommended mostly for pasture and grazing.
Price—\$1.85 per lb. Postpaid.

EUROPEAN TREFOIL—An economical type—hay or pasture.
Price—80¢ per lb. Postpaid.



Illustrating Stem Rust Resistance in Oats—Oats on left were green and standing long after the common oats on the right went down.

GARRY

and

RODNEY

OATS

1954

Comparative Yields

Garry—70.2 ton per acre
Rodney—70.1 ton per acre
Ajax—66.6 ton per acre
Craig—58.6 ton per acre
Mohawk—50.5 ton per acre

GARRY OATS

This new variety developed by Canadian plant breeders is receiving tremendous publicity. Reductions in yields from 50% down to total crop losses were experienced in 1953 and 1954 because no variety was available to resist rust. New Garry's are resistant to all known rusts.

Price—\$3.50 per bu. F.O.B. Cortland N. Y. Most of our stocks are registered (planting stock for certified Seed). Treated.

RODNEY OATS

Here is an outstanding variety 5 days later than Garry. For wheat growers this is a real advantage. Like Garry they stand well and have good straw growth. They are resistant to all known rusts but one and this has been no problem yet. For a new variety these are priced very reasonably.

Price—\$2.25 per bu. Beautiful white seed—certified and treated.

MOHAWK OATS

There still will be a place for these fine oats in 1956. With early sowing to avoid rust problems, they are the stiffest strawed variety to sow.

Price—\$1.90 per bu. F.O.B. Cortland, N. Y. Certified seed. Bags free—treated.

CLINTON 59 OATS

Here again, where rust is not a problem, these oats will do a good job. Very heavy test weight and stiff straw.

Price—\$1.90 per bu. F.O.B. Cortland, N. Y. Certified treated seed.

NEW ERIE BARLEY

CERTIFIED SEED

For many years there has been a real need for an improvement over the old Alpha Barley. In feeding value barley is equal to corn and with good yields this can be one of the most profitable crops. Erie Barley is a wonderful new strain that has some remarkable qualities.

VERY STIFF STRAW

Even under fertile conditions there is no danger of the crop going down. There is none of the crinkling that was so common in older strains. This makes Erie Barley a wonderful crop to seed down with. Many who are having trouble growing alfalfa should try some of the new ranger alfalfa with barley.

DISEASE RESISTANCE

Dr. Jensen, Cornell plant breeder, has done a splendid job in developing this strain. He has bred resistance to powdery mildew. This seed traces back to hot water treated Foundation Seed and is free from loose smut.

NO BARBS

Many have objected to barley because of the sharp barbs. This objection was especially noticeable with grain cut with a binder. However even with the combine it is a pleasure to handle the straw without the nuisance of the barbs.

Price—\$2.75 per bu. F.O.B. Cortland, N. Y. Bags free. Certified seed.



TESTED MIXTURE FOR GOOD HOME GROWN FEED OATS & BARLEY-MIXED

SPECIAL MIXTURES

One of the easiest ways to cut down on the feed bill is to grow a crop of mixed grains. A mixture of oats and barley can be used for over half the ingredients of a feed mixture. The local feed store will gladly supply supplements to balance the protein and fat of your ration. The new strains of oats ripen at the same time as the new barley. This makes for an ideal combination. It works well either with a combine or a thresher.

Price—Mohawk Oats & Erie Barley, mixed \$6.25 per cwt. F.O.B. Cortland, N. Y.

Price—Clinton Oats & Erie Barley, mixed \$6.25 per cwt. F.O.B. Cortland, N. Y.

GENESEE WHEAT

CORNELL DEVELOPS NEW WHEAT VARIETY

Genesee is the name of the new winter wheat which will be available for planting again this fall. It is a beardless, brown-chaffed, yellow strawed wheat that brings together many of the best features of Yorkwin and Cornell 595. It has stronger straw than Yorkwin and compares favorably with 595 in straw strength. It is shorter than both. The grain of Genesee does not shatter so readily in the field when ripe as does that of 595. Genesee has the high loose smut resistance of Cornell 595. In regional tests to date this new variety has outyielded the other two by about 8%. Write for prices about August 1.

595 wheat is also available. It has a little stiffer straw.

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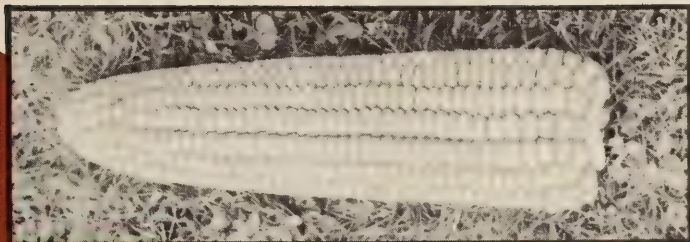
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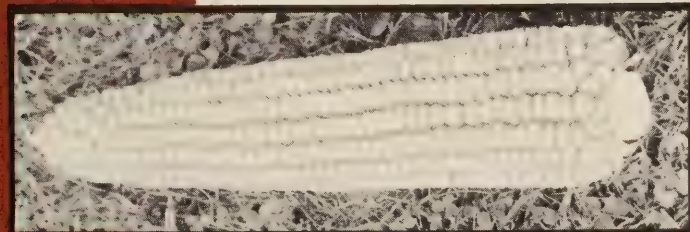
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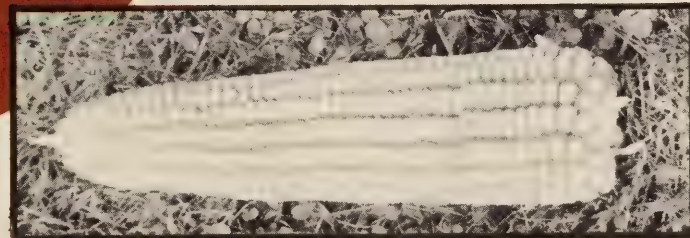
Reed's Michigan 250

Early—Easy Husking



Reed's Cornell M-1

Excellent for Early Green Silage



Reed's Cornell M-4

Stands Well—Heavy Yields

GROWING CORN IN THE NORTHEAST

FOR GRAIN

Select the hybrid which will mature in your locality year after year. For most sections this would be Mich 250. It doesn't pay to gamble with a variety which may yield more in an ideal corn year.

FOR SILAGE

Plant a few acres of an early hybrid. If you do not need it for silage it can be husked. Follow up the majority of your crop with M-1 or M-4. Then plant a small percentage of Ohio K 62 and Pa. 602 for finishing the silos.

Choose your corn requirement from these adapted varieties—
Grown in the Northeast for the Northeast.

All are high quality, carefully graded and treated for insects
and disease.

**NEW
HUSKER
MICHIGAN
250**

Here is a new corn developed in Michigan which is filling a definite need for a sure ripening husking corn. It has wonderful uniformity, stalk strength and husks very easily.

Price—\$11.50 per bu. large flat grade.

**CORNELL
M-1**

A fine new yellow dent corn with remarkable standability, due to its marked resistance to root rot. The stalks are green even after the corn begins to ripen. This hybrid is an excellent dual purpose corn (silage and grain) for most of the northeast.

Price—Pk. \$2.95 postpaid. \$9.75 per bu., large or medium flat grade. Frt. paid 2 bu. or more. Round grade \$6.00 per bu.

**CORNELL
M-4**

Another fine new hybrid developed by the Plant Breeding Department at Cornell. This is a trifle later than M-1 with a little better standability and heavier yielder. Both are excellent grain corns and husk very easily. Start your silo filling with M-1 and finish with M-4.

Price—Pk. \$2.95 postpaid. \$9.75 per bu., large or medium flat grade. Frt. paid 2 bu or more. Round grade \$6.00 per bu.

**OHIO
K-62**

Ohio K 62 is a new heavy yielding silage corn, with remarkable standability. The leaves are very green and the ears are high on the stalks. This works very well with a field harvester.

Price—\$10.50 per bu. Frt. paid 2 bu. or more. Large flat grade.

**PENN.
602**

Here is a new corn developed by the Plant Breeding Department of Pennsylvania State College. It is a fine corn for silage in most sections of New York State and can even be used for grain in the lower Hudson Valley and Long Island. It comes a little later than K 62.

Price—\$10.50 per bu. Frt. paid 2 bu. or more. Large flat grade.

Corn and Soybeans for Silage

Many dairymen are improving the quality of their silage by growing a combination of Cornell M-1 and Lincoln Soybeans. Sow about 1 peck per acre and weeds are practically choked out.

Price—\$6.50 per bu.



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See Free Offer on Next Page

NEW!

DU PUIITS

ALFALFA

*A real
producer*



Here is a must if you have a farm suited to alfalfa. Photo above shows early fall growth in seeding year. In 1954, in the fall of the seeding year, one grower cut over 1 ton per acre and still had a wonderful three cuttings in 1955. See page 8.



Left, Ed Button; Right, County Extension Agent Ira Blixt along with R. R. Reed, admire a fine stand of DU PUIITS Alfalfa on Ed's farm. This field was seeded in the spring and the picture was taken in the summer of the same year.



Dr. Vietrac of France kneels in a field of DU PUIITS Alfalfa which he developed. This field was seeded in the spring on the Ed Button farm and the picture was taken in the summer of the same year.



Here is Linda again, smiling as she holds the well-developed ears of Michigan 250 corn. Note exceptionally small cob. See pages 11 and 12.

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